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**PATENT**

Docket No. 2673.2.1

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Applicant: Brad E. Paden et al.

Serial No.: 09/895,881

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For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR POSITIONING A  
MOVABLE BODY IN A MAGNETIC BEARING  
SYSTEM

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Dear Sir:

We, Brad E. Paden, Gill B. Bearson, and Jed C. Ludlow, declare as follows:

1. We are co-inventors of the invention which is the subject of the above-identified patent application and are familiar with its contents and subject matter.
2. The patent entitled "Pump Having a Magnetically Suspended Rotor with One Active Control Axis," U.S. Patent Number 6,394,769 (referred to hereinafter as the 'Bearson patent') has been cited in an Office Action mailed January 24, 2003 by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.
3. We are co-inventors of the Bearson patent, and are thus familiar with its contents and subject matter.

4. Any invention disclosed but not claimed in the Bearnson patent was derived from the co-inventors of this application and is thus not an invention "by another."

We declare further that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful, false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful, false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

Dated this 12 day of April, 2003.  
<sup>May</sup>

Brad Paden  
Brad E. Paden

Dated this 30 day of April, 2003.

Gill Bearnson  
Gill B. Bearnson

Dated this 3 day of <sup>May</sup> April, 2003.

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